

[Duff Wehle, the scion of the house of Genesee, and I wrote a substantial history of the Madison Square Garden Show a few years ago; published in an electronic format; published in installments in *Poultry Press*]

Poultry at GCV

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Duff:

Spent a very enjoyable day yesterday at the Rochester Poultry Show and the GCV.

Miserable weather for most of the day, but the village itself (which has always been the primary motivator for my annual trip to Mumford) was wonderfully and vibrantly alive.

All of us out there who are interested in and committed to living history (especially that of nineteenth century small-town, rural America) shall forever be grateful to the Wehle family for having created the Genesee Country Village. At the end of the day there, as always, I didn't want to leave.

I showed two standard Partridge Plymouth Rocks and two standard Silver-Penciled Plymouth Rocks--which are very good, but not as good as the White Wyandotte pullet that was one of the big winners of the day.

Hope all is well in your world.

Best regards,

Robert

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Hi Robert—

Great to hear from you.

Sorry for the delay in responding. I took my laptop into Apple on Monday to have the glass screen replaced. I got it back Friday and they had replaced the hard drive. I lost everything! Has taken some time to get most things back at least workable.

Nice to know you go the Rochester show at the Museum (I'm old school: "Village" is the "new" version). I really have nothing to do with the Museum anymore. I haven't been up there in over six years. I do, however, stay in touch with Colleen Lewis of the Rochester Poultry Association as well as other members. And, as you know, I still put up the Schallenberg award. Art was always really good to me.

Sorry to hear entry numbers were so low. Is that the trend at all shows these days? Thought about going to the Crossroads show this year but my wife is climbing a mountain (next to Everest) in Nepal and I have to be "available." I'm too old and my knees too bad to climb.

Spent five months up in Maine this year. Nice to be back in Florida in the warmth and with options of other than fried food to eat.

Thanks for writing. Do stay in touch.

cheers,

Duff